es the voice—you have of course lost sight of all a has given you for your highest good through hrist, his Son—the Church of Christ, with its Bhappointed ministers and sacraments and Sabbaths, by discipline and instruction, bused upon the reverence of the Most High, as contained in Holy Scripture, we not placed yourselves in the proper position as a res of this church to gain superhuman strength to il God's holy commandments as the foundation of sooil rectitede and genuine presperity. And these some to pass that you and your children are practiving in that kind of independence which must, or later, wither under the frowns and dispect of the limite one whom it so ungraciously a. But, says the beavenly messenger, humble your this day under the mighty hand of God; seek for the dot of your duty according to the way of His aptent, become sincere Christian men, and then, activaters, or as clothed with legislative, indicial or tive authority, you shall diffuse such high and hely notes around you as shall put down all cant, fanntiself conceit, extreme, impulsive views of all kinds, unid up that genuine Heerty, traternity and equality a, being in harmony with the truths of the everig Gospel, shall receive the smiles of heaven. dear brethren, to make a practical use of this is servicus, we must examine ourselves closely so how far we have been guilty of what must be don as national sins. The nation is made up of infection in has been somewhat infected with the politica organical mational sins for which our country is guifering. But, after all, have we not as been somewhat infected with the politica osphere in which we have lived. Acting as member our proud confederacy, have we not sometime set forgotten to take our Christian principles along in a country day as Christian particle in his, the of national humiliation, it will do us all no harm to be our hearts to the quick and see wherein we have a deficient in our duty as Christian particle to get the course.

THE REV. DR. DE WITT.

avette Place and Fourth Street.

day of national fast and humiliation was observed standing inside the vestibule. The prayers nd the hymns and psalms selected for the occasion were articularly appropriate to the object which had assem-

Rev. Dr. Dawier, in opening the services, said that ey were never called upon to perform a more solemn or important duty, and trusted that they came with red hearts. He then read the President's Proclamagave out the 480th hymn:-

lord, teach us how to pray aright, With reverence and with fear; Though dust and ashes in Thy sight, We may, we must draw near.

the conclusion of the singing Dr. De proceeded to read a selection from the nesage than the prayer offered by Danielwith supplications, with fasting and sackcloth and ashe and I prayed unto the Lord my God, and made my co accession and said, O Lord * we have sinned, a nd ave rebelled even by departing from Thy precepts com Thy judgement. Neither have we hearkened by servants, the prophets, which spake in Thy nas as to kings, our princes and our fathers, all the people of the land. O Lord, names belongeth unto Thee, but unto us co- afusion.

I faces us at this day.

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I face, to our king s, to our gainst thee. To the Lord our fod belong; me, cies and hets. * * * * * Therefore the curse, is poured us. * * * * And He hath cor firmed His words which He spake against us, and again 1st our judger that judged us, by bringing upon us a greet evil. * * * All this evil is come upon us. * * * Ofs erd, according to all Thy sighteousness, I beseech Thee let 27 ine unger and Thy fury-be turned away * * * because f or or weins and miquities. * * * Now, therefore, our God, hear the prayer of thy servant, and his supplicate as, as id cause Try face to shine upon Thy sanctuary that is deso late, for

man made a few remarks in relation to the day a udite' object. The band of God had been upon us, prosp and blessing us until the present time as We had not some with any people before. But now the Union was in They had assembled with common feelings

with any people before. But now the Union was in prilled. They had assembled with common feelings and in Divme Providence, that by prayer and supplication the country might be rescoud from the dang which threatened it.

Rev. Dr. Strave next offered up a most effective prayer.

O God, he said, we would humble ourselves before Thee upon this occasion. Thou hast the power to punish and forgive sin. We thank Thee that Thou hast an ear to hear the prayers of Phy people when they ask for the remission of their sans. Hear the confession of these who now how themselves before Thee. We have sinned individually and as a nation. O God, give us the grace to make a heartfelt confession of our sins and have a consciousness of our guilt. It is pleading by the ment of our Redeemer that we come to Thee, and we pray Thee that the spirit of grace and explainable pray Thee to took down upon us, and we thank Thee for part goodness. We have been permitted to share Thy grace, and enjoy and perpetuate our liberaties, whilst other nations have been rent assueder. Permit us still to do so; stay Thy hand on this occasion, and expare us from the horrors of civil war and bloodymitimus. We would join with all the people of these United States in prayer for Thy servant the President. Direct flus mind with Thy grace and assistants, be guided in all their actions by Thee. Is with our autienal representatives in Congress a seculted, and defer not Thy answer to our supplications to day.

The national hymn of the church was then sung:—

On Thee, our graced and God, we call;

Eeffort by throne of grace we fell.

See, we report, we weep, we mourn,
To our foresten Lord we turn.
To our foresten Lord we turn.
Ch! spare our guisty country, spare
The church which thou hast planted there.

The church wanch thou hast planted there.

Charcellor Francialluded to the selection of Scapping readiby Pr. Dewitt, and said that it was the prager of one of the most hely of area, and that, though pure, he made common supplication with the guilty. The most private and most activating ulsted citizen of the major should now in like manner feel that may prayers should be joined in common with those possessed of rank, authority and power for the pragervation and biossing of the confederacy, it conclusion he prayed that dod, when He regarded the supplications of one mortal, might look down upon the houning time of a whole nation. O, God, he said, we lay our country, before thee, beseeching the not be turn Thy face from us. The Saphath has been violated, we have idological our public men and our manifolding and keep ourselves for our sine as individuals and as a nation. O, look upon us, in this shour of our country, before size and itset thoughts and plans and the thoughts and plans are intentions, and we would humble ourselves for our sine as individuals and as a nation. O, look upon us, in this shour of our country, before size and bies our President and lead humble ourselves, and lead humble ourselves, and lead humble ourselves, and lead humble ourselves, the form of our country, the property of our country, the country of our country of our country. The 2224 hymn was then suggestered.

The 222d byms was then song.—

O God of Bothel, by whose hand
Thy people still are fed,
Who through this weary pligrimage
Hast all, our fathers led.

Rev. Dr. Herries negt offered up a surring prayer. Making, he sail, did not atand as such for judgment before the throne of God. Individuals were judged, not national in the form of the form o

and guidiness.

paalm was then sung, commencing—

They saw the wonders wrought,

And then thy praises sung;

But soon the works of gower forget,

And murmured with their tongue.

J. Dr. Benuvsprayed that God might work as fuith
the government which was organed under his in
neg, and to remove the evit which had excited His

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were then sung, and the service closed with the Doxology and benediction.

THE REV. DR. WILLIAM R. WILLIAMS. Services at the Amity Street Baptist

Church. The services for the day in Rev. Dr. Williams' church The services for the day in Rev. Dr. Williams' church were characterized by unusual solemnity. The Doctor, partly because of 4ll health, and partly, perhaps, because he deemed it unnecessary, 4id not preach. He simply conducted the exercises, which were exclusively devoted to spontaneous supplication and fervent prayer. The first meeting was held so early as half-past eight o'clock, the next occurred at half-past two, the next at half-past five, and the last at half-past even. It is needless to say that the spirit exhibition from the part of the past exhibitions of mingled piety and patriotism was one whose prevalence, it is to be regretted, is too limited by far.

Prayer Meeting at the Rev. Dr. Van Dyke's (First Presbyterian) Church, Brooklyn.

Contrary to general expectation, there was no in the First Presbyterian church, Brooklyn, we sher the pastoral charge of the Rev. Mr. Van Dyke. A prayer meeting was held in the lecture room adjusting the

Rev. Mr. Van Dyke, who supplicated the Air grave, by the might dispose them to humble themselve is His sight, and that He would pour out upon them Air grace, that they might see their sins, and abase the sesselves before Him. Inspire us, he continued, with fa Ah in Thee-faith Him. Inspire us, he continued, with far Ah in Thee—faith in the promises of Thy son. Turn our locare like rivers of water, that we may find grace in T ay night. May our supplications come up to Thee, and I may our prayers united ascend as a memorial before thee. Divest us of all prejudices, that we may call upon who in a right spirit. On our nation, and on our letves individually, we beseech Thee to pour out Thy by assings and to forgive that the hardest he was the by our our sins, that the heritage be questiond to us by our rations, through Jesus Christ e ar Lord, to whom, with Thee and the Hely Spirit, we: scribe all praise, &c.

"Temple Melodies," being a pacaphrase on the forty-tixth Pealm, was then sung, beg maing es follows:-

Mr. Sampson was then he offered the following eadled upon to pray, wher sepon O Lord! Thou art he

place, Thy spirit is a thy name. We have met here, three meet together known, not onl dead, and Thy memerial ex-dege. Then art holy is all Thy formall Thy works. Then art fifthite, form all Thy works. Then art fifthite, form in the contract of raind. Sings well, there we are, poor, sidel crea-fiftheriote, beseech Thee, for Thy great interesting to the companion of the com-cition in temperatures and have become

Following sees:—

When overwhelmed with grief,

My heart within me dies,

Hobbiess and far from all belief,

To heaven I lift my eyes.

The Boy. Mr. Van Dyke then reed the 80th Psalsm,
which was highly appropriate to the cocasion, especially
the following passages:—

The hills were covered with the schadow of it, and the boughs thereof were like the goodly codars.

Sis sent out her boughs unto the set, and her branches unto the river.

Why hast thou, Then, broken down her hedges, so that all they which pass by the way de plack her?

The boar out of the wood doth waite it, and the wild beast of the laid doth devour it.

Rearm, we beseech Thee, 0 feder Hests; look down from heaven, and behold, and visit this vine:

And the vineyard which Thy tight, hand huth planted, and the branch that Thou madest strong for Thyself.

Mr. Van Dyke then addressed the congregation as fellows. This, say we are here to gray, and therefore I thought it not least nor most appropriate to occupy your time by preaching a sermon. Our beniess to day is to pray and to humble ourselves before. Od, and you would have grotted little by your opportunities if you did not realize what should be uppermost my our immest to day. There are, however, two or three stigle its upon which it would be well few us to reflect to day, if we humbly and since they desire the interposition of God in our which it is the stigle well few us to reflect to day, if we humbly and since they do not merely mean individual sins, such as we are accused to coriess in our costs; but among them I incide national sins. Lovas surprised the other day to hear a intelligent man say that he did not know what national sins we had to coriess. I will not know what national sins we had to coriess. I will not know what national sins we had to coriess. I will not know what national sins we had to coriess. I will not know what national sins we had to cories. I will not know what national sins we had to cories. I will not know what national sins we had to cories. I will not know what national sins we had to cories. I will not know what national sins we had to cories. I will not know what national sins we had to cories. I will not know what national sins we had to cories. I will not know the state of the sins which we need forgiveness; but know here and

It was tapes of men es o trample the Bis conder tool, but a precision Christian, who not only any, out appear to facin God Holy Work.

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Thirdly, saftiger there is that other sin, which is as common a tible arter to God's game is taken in rate. Any, you de toot wish a street or a square but you will hear nen, a mere and block on a saboth hear nen, a mere and all office, God's game is taken in rate. Nay, you de toot wish a street or a square but you will hear nen, a mere and blassed upwith the treasure of the world. St I we are not satisfied, but the sin of covetonances is on the flar range. Fifty years ago a grant who possessed it 60,600 are regarded as rick, that here such a sum is an world; if specton e as constituting a weakly man. To make higher to get rich now is a leading principle. Am I to biaster! Look at our own connections the Old School From sid the members for religious heady as any on the country, and yet ouring the past year the countributions from sid the members for religious part poses do not exceed two hollars a head, God said. The members for religious part poses do not exceed two hollars a head, God said. The members for religious part poses do not exceed two hollars a head, God said. The members for religious part poses do not exceed two hollars a head, for said principal will be seen as a subsequence of the religious parts of the countributions from and the religious parts of the country part of the country part of the countribute sails entitly towards the forwarding of religious, the first parts of the said and the religious parts. The young poople, from a religious first of parts to the character of the discussion of t

cries of the heasts all go up before ithm. Consider that, in New York all no, no fewer than trongly-one murders were committed last year; and if God exacted vengeahoe for the blood of Abel, will he not exact retribution for these cauriers in the present day?

Lastly—There is the sin of mational pride. It is right for us to love our country; but we ought to endeavor to rid ourselves of that pride which seems to think that God cannot get slove without us, and that, if this country should be breker up, He would cease to reign. This is all wrong. "He that sitteth in the Heavens shall laugh; the Lord shall Lave them in deristen." and those who imagine a vain thing, He shall "break them with a rod of iron," and "dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel." Jenus "esall have demission, also, from sea to sea, and from the river unto the ends of the earth." Let us, then, cease taking of our rights, and talk of our duties. I think it is our duty to pray for whatever we desire, but it should be in dependence upon God's will. It is right to pray for our children, and it is country right to pray for the nation, but we should pray that the libble should be the guide of the nation, which if we follow we shall not go astray.

Mr. Davinson then prayed as follows:—Almighty God! our help is in These help us, we pray Thee, with an increase of Thy, grace. We are Thy children, and whenever thou art sought Thou art found. We come before Thee with as sense of our wind things. Have mercy upon us. Have mercy upon us, and may thy grace be poured out upon us. May we receive Thy Word, so as to respect authority, and basy our children follow the same example, and grow up as citizens of which the country will not be ashamed. May we be imbued with idelity to our country, and may thus people come up to the help of the Lord against the mighty so that the propagative the spirit of controversy, and have swught money, that we might consume it ou our lusts. But may we, through Thy grace, be brought to repent of our sines. Vain is the help of man; e

Anoth.

WAN DYKE said it was good for them to be there
would not protract the meeting beyond the usua
"He then gave out the second hymn," Deginning—
"Before Jehovah's awful throne,

THE REY. HENRY WARD SECHER.

Demouth Church (Fanathe-Massachu

Plymouth church, of which Rev. Henry Ward Beecher is the paster, was crowded to excess yester-day morning, Mr. Beecher having amounced on the previous Sabbath that he would preach a discourse suitable to the great national fast. We were informed that bandreds went away unable to obtain admission to the building. The Rev. Theodore Cuyler occupied a seat on the platform, and we noticed a few distin congregation. The services were commenced at eleven o'clock, and the preliminary exercises, wherein en acceptable fast to the Lord is set forth to be the lossing of the bonds of the oppressed and setting them fece. The nervous language of the prophet was clearly set forth by the natural and forcible elecution of every people on the face of the earth for its cruelty, avarice, lawless ambition, and for its appreciain of the weak. He prayed that a spirit

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than two months ago I returned from a visit to foreign And provided the first of the first of the first of the control of